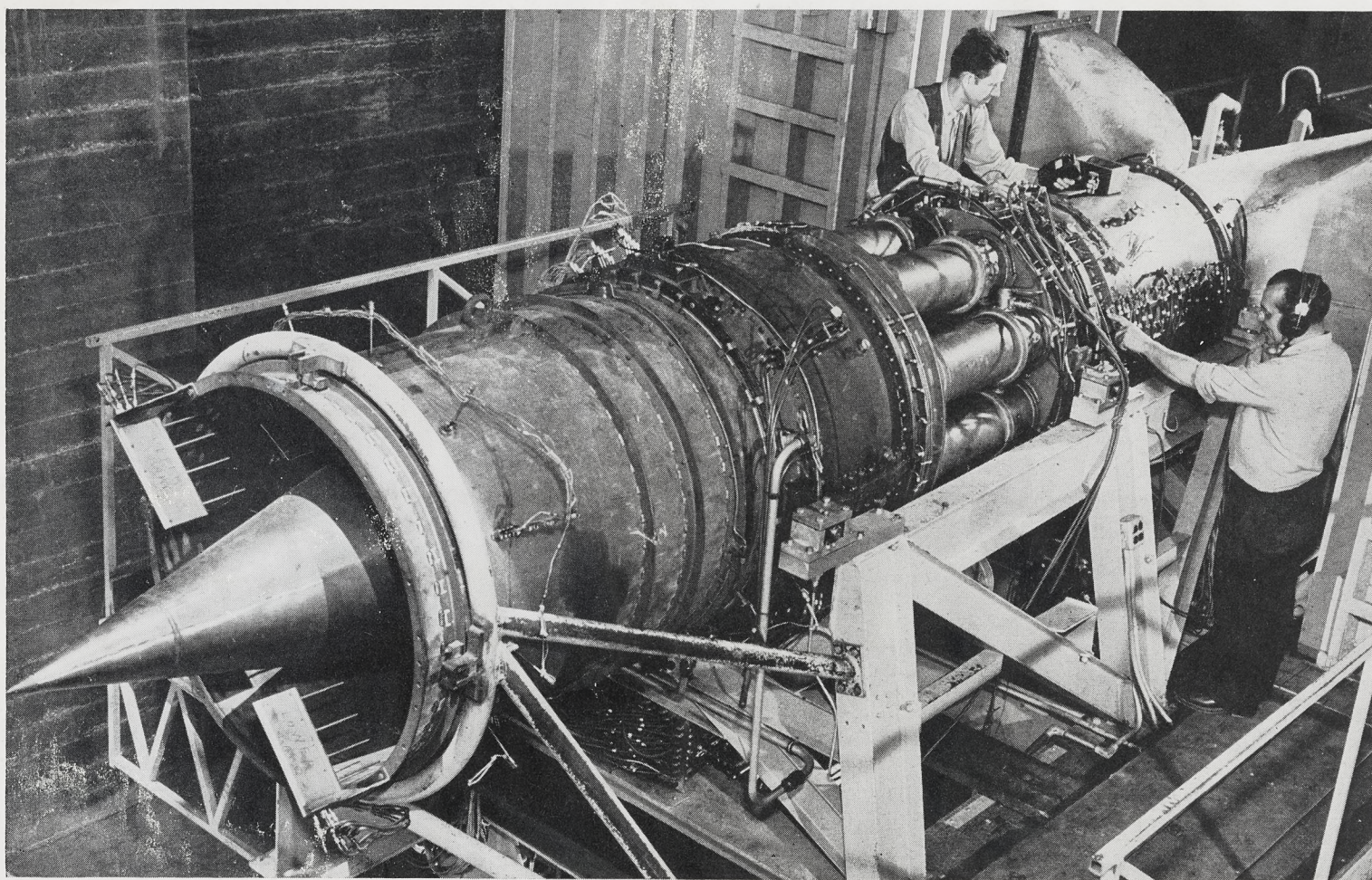


Softball Season Climax



THE NORTHROP RECREATION CLUB'S 1948 softball banner goes to Department 11 stalwarts after hustling season of play. Shown above, Bert Privett—champs' manager, right, is shown receiving pennant and trophy from George Pesner, left, NRC Softball commissioner; Harry Clark, Personnel Activities, and Tommy Blair, manager of runners-up, Night champs—Dept. 26—are center. Not content with Plant Championship, Bert Privett's aggregation went out and won the WIRA Championship via defeat of Lockheed Aircraft.

Turbodyne Giant



TEN THOUSAND HORSEPOWER PLUS! Above, Turbodyne men, Harry Williams, left, and Joe Dutt prepare to watch mighty giant enter trial run. They are applying pre-test instrumentations. The Turbodyne has been developed under Air Force contract and is to be for airplane power. Similar to jet engines in operation, the Turbodynes deliver their power on a shaft, with additional pounds of jet thrust obtainable. The pointed tip shown is the tail cone, and the front of the engine is at right. The design has been modified for use as a locomotive or marine power plant or other prime mover. Advantages possessed by Turbodynes over other types of aircraft power plants include far greater power in relation to weight than is provided by the best reciprocating engines and greater fuel economy than is obtained from turbojet engines.

Department Eleven Wins Plant Crown

Department 11, fielding one of the best teams to ever play in an NRC league, annexed the 1948 NRC Softball pennant and not content, went out again to win the Annual Western Industries Recreation Association championship by defeating Lockheed Aircraft in final game, 13-1.

In a game played Sunday morning, September 26, on the NRC diamond, a fighting team from Department 26, Tommy Blair's Night Shift Champs, were defeated for the Plant Championship. Only the lack of a strong pitching staff kept Blair's men from making it a closer contest and, in the opinion of many, of winning the game. Paul Wheeler pitched for the champs. The final score was 12-3.

In the WIRA contests with the exception of the first game, Department 11 worked their way to the Championship with surprising ease.

The first game was won by a score of 1-0 against North American's best entry, team No. 58. It was one of the best pitched and best played games of the season. Nick Pappas, Department 11's moundsman, allowed but one hit, a double in the fourth inning and struck out twelve men. Going into the last inning, with the score 0-0, centerfielder Walt Osterberg hit a home run to win the game.

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ART SHOW SET FOR NOV. 15

ART JURY, NORCRAFTER VOTES, TO SELECT WINNERS FROM CAFETERIA FOUR-WEEK EXHIBITION

The second Northrop Art Show is slated to get under way with Crenshaw and Plant One displays from November 15 to December 10 inclusive, it has been jointly announced by NRC Art Club Commissioner Paul Nelson and Northrop Personnel Activities Manager Charles Boyle.

The NRC Art Show, a repeat of last year's exhibit which served to display some seventy-five paintings, will end with the selection of three purchase prize pictures to be acquired by the Northrop company for permanent hanging.

Purchase prizes will be \$100.00, \$75.00, and \$50.00. Judging will be by a jury of noted and outstanding Los Angeles area art authorities headed by Paul Lauritz. Also in connection with the Northrop Art Show, plant personnel will ballot for what they consider to be the tops among the paintings entered. Sweepstakes winner of this balloting will be awarded the NRC sweepstakes trophy.

The exhibition will be first hung at the Crenshaw cafeteria, November 15 to 26 and then will be moved to Plant One cafeteria where the exhibition will continue from November 29 to December 10.

Contest rules are simple. They are, in general, as follows:

The NRC Art Club purchase

prize exhibit is open to all Norcrafters and their immediate families (husband, wife, son, or daughter), and to enrolled students of the Northrop Aeronautical Institute.

Deadline for entries at Personnel Activities office is November 10, 1948.

Entries may be executed in oil, water color, tempera, pastel, or drawings in black and white or color.

Subject matter is entirely optional but pictures must be suitable for permanent hanging in Northrop cafeterias. Single limitation on subject matter applies to portraits of Northrop administrative personnel. Such portraits will not be eligible for entry.

Each artist may enter up to three separate works. Pictures must be original. Those entered in last year's Northrop Art Show are not eligible.

Minimum size of entries, exclusive of mat and frame, has been set at thirteen by sixteen inches. Maximum dimensions, either height or width including mat and frame, should not be over forty-eight inches.

Pictures may be entered framed or unframed and will be hung as they are received.

Pictures hung will not display the signature of the artist, it has been announced by Art Commissioner Nelson. Names or initials will be covered during the show with pictures indexed by number. Neither the jury nor the Norcrafter onlooker voters will know the names of the artists represented. Winning artists, however, will be announced and their work hung in a special showing after the exhibit.

Art Commissioner Nelson
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Northrop Declares Dividend

Northrop Aircraft's Board of Directors last week declared a dividend of 25 cents a share from earnings for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1948. The dividend will be paid on October 13 to shareholders of record as of October 6. It is identical to that paid last year.

The directors also reiterated their policy to review current earnings at regular intervals and to declare such dividends as appear warranted.

Northrop recently was ordered to plan production of the Flying Wing B-49 jet bombers, which have helped the company attain world leadership in the development of efficient all-wing airplanes. Production of the C-125 Raider light assault transport, together with other airplane research and work in allied fields is currently occupying the Northrop plants.

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Northrop News Editorial...

First Air Force Year

The Air Force celebrated its first year of autonomy as a co-equal of the Army and the Navy in the National Military Establishment, on Air Force Day, Saturday, September 18—two weeks ago. In previous years, Air Force Day has been observed on August 1, since the Aeronautical Division of the Signal Corps, predecessor of the U.S. Air Force, was created August 1, 1907. Now, however, the celebration is on September 18, the day the U.S. Air Force was created in 1947.

Local celebration was at Burbank's Lockheed Air Terminal and among the Air Force airplanes parading the air above the field were the Northrop YB-49 eight-jet bomber and the Northrop All-weather X-ray-eyed fighter, the XP-89. Both of these new American air weapons were on public display for the first time.

During this past year, the first year of Air Force autonomy, there have been introduced thirteen new types of aircraft. Air Force personnel has grown from a total of 311,000 officers and men to more than 400,000. Approximately 130,000 of this number are stationed overseas.

Of great significance to Norcrafters during the first USAF year has been the military acceptance and approval of Northrop's Flying Wing design principle. The engineering and production contracts on the YB-49 all-wing bomber and the construction of the sonic barrier Wing, the X-4, are a culmination of Northrop know-how research in this field. Successful flights and continuing tests on the XP-89 All-weather fighter and Air Force production contracts on the Northrop Raider C-125 assault transport point toward capacity activity within the next year at Northrop Field.

Air Force progress has been rapid. It is headed by men of action and vision; men who are cognizant of the world's true and troubled complexion at this time and at this day.

Late in 1947 the Air Force tripled its pilot training program by increasing aviation cadet classes from 1,000 to 3,000 a year. The USAF plans to add at least 2,000 fliers annually through this enlarged pilot training program.

Early in June President Truman signed into law legislation establishing the "Women in the Air Force", designated as the "WAF", and Colonel Geraldine P. May was named first WAF Director.

New chevrons and cap, collar, and lapel insignia were approved for the USAF several months ago, and most bases in this country and overseas will receive supplies to replace the old-style Army chevrons within a short time. The chevrons will have silver-gray stripes and a silver-gray star on a dark blue background. New metal buttons, incorporating the Air Force seal, are authorized for officers and airmen.

The growth of the Air Force is being paralleled by the rebirth growth of the post-war aircraft industry. The year of 1947-48 saw crystallization of ideas about new aircraft. It was a year of preparation, evaluation, and decision.

The new aircraft now under construction will soon dot the skies of America and they will be a thundering testimonial to our efforts as a nation of free people who do things in keeping with the character and traditions of this land that is America.

Airplanes of the Air Force that will be built this year and the next and the next will be the best for their purposes that the world has yet seen. The men that will fly and maintain and operate these airplanes will be second to none in training, fortitude, and singleness of purpose—that of creating the best Air Force in the world, all to the end that we of America may maintain our philosophy of living and be assured of continuing our way of life.

The keynote, the clarion call, to this way of life is FREEDOM.

The Air Force is to be congratulated on its progress during the first year of autonomy.

Art Show

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wishes further to encourage each and every eligible person who is artistically inclined to enter this show if they have suitable work on hand or are able to produce something in the November 10 interim.

In addition to the sweepstakes winner and the three purchase prize winners there will be seven honorable mention prizes determined by art jury selection. Prizes will be awarded honorable mention winners by the NRC. The judges' three purchase prize selections, including the frames, will become the property of Northrop Aircraft, Inc.

The sweepstakes winner, unless selected by the jury for purchase prize, the honorable mentions and the remaining entries will be returned to the artists at the end of the show.

Complete rules of the Northrop purchase prize art exhibit may be obtained in mimeograph form at the Personnel Activities office.

Foremen to Hear World Event Talk

Northrop Foremen's Club has called their next meeting for November 5, 1948; 6:30 p.m.

Featured speaker of the November program will be J. Colyer Snyder, who returns to address a Norcrafter audience appreciative of his last year's critique on world affairs.

Globe-trotter, observer, and student of current history, Snyder will give an address particularly significant at this time of international unrest.

All Foremen Club members are urged to attend.

TURBODYNE FOLK HOLD CENTINELA SUNDAY OUTING

Turbodyne Corporation folk staged their third Annual Picnic Sunday, September 12—Centinela Park, Inglewood, California.

Basket lunch and softball game constituted banner highlights of the day.

Softball game brought out Bill Coughlin's "Blow Boys" versus Jim Anderson's league team—a fray that resulted in a victory for the Anderson contingent.

Substitutions during the innings were many with every Turbodyner, including wives and children, taking a turn at home plate. Fifteen innings were required to decide the contest. (See photo of lunch-box session—page 4.)

NRC RIDING CLUB

Norcrafters are invited to join the Riding Club members on their next ride Thursday, October 7, at 6:30 p.m.

Ride will start from the Circle Bar Riding Academy, 5543 East Imperial.

Special price to Norcrafters will be \$1.50 for the two hour ride. Coffee and doughnuts will be served after the ride and a special meeting will be held to determine the type of uniform and emblems to be adopted by the Club.

Reservation deadline in Personnel Activities is Wednesday,

NRC Announces Start Of Hiking-Walking Club

By the NRC Reporter

The newest 1948 NRC club innovation is the projected walking and hiking club, it has been announced by NRC President James P. Celoni.

A demand for this type of recreation became evident during this summer's vacation sessions when several groups of Norcrafters engaged in mountain hiking—the most notable of which was a six day, sixty mile trek over the High Sierras by Bill Boyes and Hal Brumbellow of Department 4, and Jack Ward, Department 22.

In answering this new recreational want, the club, through President Celoni, has issued a call to all hiking minded folk at Northrop to register their names and clock numbers at Personnel Activities, in order that a meeting may be called.

The type of hiking that will appeal to the average Norcrafter interested in this type of recreation is felt to be Saturday or Sunday, six to seven hour walk, preferably conducted somewhere in the nearby Sierra Nevada mountains. Trails to the interior canyons and streams originate at such points as Monrovia, Arcadia, Ontario, and Sunland. Hiking parties may also drive further into the moun-

tains and start their walks in the deeper and more remote areas.

Hiking club members will carry lunches and once the stream areas are reached, will select suitable locations among the trees for their noontime repast. During this interlude, and other times during the hiking, the club will present entertainment features calculated to interest, instruct and edify those present. Forest and recreational authorities are now being contacted to secure their services for trail lectures on the various aspects of outdoor conduct and mountain lore. Picture taking sessions, both movies and stills, will also have their innings during the hikes. The hikes will also present field days for collectors of precious and semi-precious stones and it is intended to have lapidary authorities on hand occasionally to give members first-hand information in this hobby.

First hike plans are being formulated now. Further announcements and information will be printed in the next Northrop News. Norcrafters wishing to join this club should call Personnel Activities, station 637. Remember, as usual, all are welcome!



DAVIS DELIGHT

Ralph Davis, Department 64, and wife, Donna, announce the arrival of first addition to family. Baby daughter, Diane Marie, arrived at the Stork's Nest Hospital, Inglewood, Monday evening, August 30, at 6:00 o'clock. A little gal—she weighed 4 pounds, 14 ounces. She is definitely their pride and joy.

DEPARTMENT 2 FLASH!

Art Dietrich, Welding, and wife, Melba, proudly announce the arrival of son, Douglas Alan, at the early hour of 4:23 a. m., August 23, 1948. Little "Doug", who tipped the beam at a bounding 8 pounds 6½ ounces, made first appearance via Community Hospital, Long Beach.

YOUNG MISS HUNTER

Roy Hunter, Department 1 Nights, and wife, Joan, proudly announce the arrival of second addition to the family—baby daughter,

Janice Eileen. Janice first glimpsed this world on September 7, 8:15 p.m., at the Glendale Sanitarium. She weighed a trim and dainty 6 pounds 8 ounces. Year old brother, Jerry, Stork Club Northrop News, August 13, 1947, was properly impressed—naturally!

PHOTO LAB

Robert A. Corn, Photo Lab, and wife, Lucille, are again announcing a blessed addition to their family. "Bob" and Lucille, with their small daughter, K'Suzanne, 21 months old, welcomed second baby girl, Sandra Lynn, at the Centinela Hospital on Saturday, September 11, at 1:30 p.m. Little Sandra Lynn weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces.

DEPARTMENT 10 TIDINGS

Norman Williams, Department 10, and wife, Lorraine, were visited by the stork Friday, August 20, 1948, at the Las Campanas Hospital, Compton, California with the result that baby son, Dennis Ray, arrived at 1:58 a.m. He was a husky young fellow, weighing 9 pounds 13½ ounces. Little sister, Norma Jean, 2½ years, is properly impressed—in fact, she's sort of flabbergasted.

Fire Prevention Week

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N. R. C. Good Time Table

For enrollment or further information on activities listed below, Plant One Norcrafters may call or contact Personnel Activities Office, station 637, Plant One Plaza; at Crenshaw—call or contact Personnel Activities, station 985, Industrial Relations Office.

ART CLUB

Paul Nelson, commissioner
Professional models pose for drawing and painting Wednesday, 7:00-10:00 p.m., Studio, 3511 W. Hyde Park Blvd.

BADMINTON

Ed Sellen, commissioner
Meet Thursday evenings, 7:00-10:00 p.m., Dorsey High Gym.

BASKETBALL

Leuzinger Courts available for practice every Tuesday and Wednesday evening. Please submit team entries for inter-departmental league as soon as possible to Personnel Activities Office.

BOWLING (DAYS)

Elmer Luker, commissioner
Five man Handicap League bowls Tuesday at Ingwood Sports Center. Mixed foursome bowls at Ingwood Sports Center on Fridays.

BOWLING (NIGHTS)

James Bobbs, commissioner
Five man Handicap League bowls at Ingwood Sports Center, Fridays, at 1:00 a.m. (immediately after work Thursday night).

BRIDGE CLUB

A. S. Bowser, commissioner
The Fourth Eight Weeks Duplicate Bridge Pairs Tournament being played each Wednesday night at VFW Hall, 417 W. 131st Street, Hawthorne, at 7:30 p.m.

CAMERA CLUB (DAYS)

John McCue, commissioner
Next meeting to be Friday, October 9, 8:00 p.m., at Clubhouse, 3511 Hyde Park Blvd. Program to include "Print of the Month" competition. Visitors welcome.

CHESS CLUB

Meets with the Bridge Club on Wednesday night, 7:30 p.m., VFW Auxiliary Hall, 417 W. 131st Street.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

A. M. Anderson, representative
Meet Tuesday nights, VFW Hall, 417 W. 131st Street, Hawthorne. Squadron, 7:20 p.m.; group, 8:15 p.m.

FLYING CLUB

Edith Bent, representative
Memberships available. For further information call Personnel Activities, extension 637. Schedule all flight time at Torrance Airport through Cliff Bantel—phone FRontier 6375.

GLIDER CLUB

Gordon Blaisdell, representative
Meets Monday evening, 8:15 p.m., Plant One Cafeteria. All invited.

GOLF CLUB (DAYS)

Ash Dunning, commissioner
Play-offs of Twilight League now being played. Final rounds of All Northrop Annual Golf Tournament being played.

GUN CLUB

William LeMaster, commissioner
First NRC Pistol Shooting Contest now on at Hawthorne Police Range, 141st Street and Pacific. A .22 calibre rifle shooting match is being scheduled. Register at Personnel Activities.

NUMISMATIC (Coin) CLUB

Next meeting to be Monday, October 12, 7:30 p.m., Crenshaw Cafeteria.

PHILATELIC CLUB

Marion Kates, commissioner
Next meeting will be held Monday, October 12, 7:30 p.m., Crenshaw Cafeteria. All interested Norcrafters are urged to attend.

RIDING CLUB

Robert Bradford, commissioner
Thursday, October 7, 5:30 p.m., to be next ride. Meet at Circle Bar Stables, 5543 Imperial. Make reservations at Personnel Activities.

SEA SPORTS

George Metzger, commissioner
Meet Wednesday night, N.R.C. Field, Boxing Ring, 7:00 p.m.

SKI CLUB

Dick Dodd, commissioner
Next Ski Club Work Party and Picnic to be Sunday, October 10, starting at 10:00 a.m. Meet at parking area 200 yards East of Mt. Waterman Chair Lift—Anceles Crest Highway, 33 miles from Foothill Blvd. intersection.

SOFTBALL

George Pesner, commissioner
NRC Annual Open "Black Bat" Softball Tournament games being played Monday through Thursday on NRC Field.

THEATRE TICKETS

Tickets to all stellar attractions available at Personnel Activities through Mutual Ticket Agency branch office.

TRAVEL SERVICE

Reservations, resorts, travel, tour maps available at Personnel Activities.

SPORTS

The Northrop News

Camera Club Holds Second Black and White

On Friday evening, August 20, the Day Shift photobugs held the second black and white competition of the semester, and were given some "food for thought" when Owen Anderson of the Windsor Camera Supply Co., Inglewood, demonstrated what could be done to improve a picture with a little darkroom technique.

Prize winners in the competition were Walt Darby in Class A and Herschel Nitikman in Class B. Paul Streib, not giving up his winning streak (he's taken first in Class A in every competition so far this year) without a fight, took second in Class A, with John McCue coming in third. In Class B, second place fell to Duane Morlan, third and fifth to Herb Ripley, and fourth to Herschel Nitikman.

Then Owen Anderson showed what he had done with one of Paul Streib's winners. The original had lacked brilliance and had won principally on a good human-interest angle. Anderson made a larger print of a different shape, and on a different emulsion, using a glossy surface rather than a matte surface. This he toned, and retouched with Spotone and postassium ferricyanide. The result was an emphatic demonstration of the fact that dark room technique may make all the difference between a good print and a mediocre one.

SKI TOW PARTY PLAYS HOST TO SWARM OF BEES

Ski Club Work Parties have been coming along quite successfully. Several ski runs are being cleared on the slope and a foundation has been constructed for the tow motor.

The only mishap so far occurred during the last party, Sunday, September 26, when Mary Cornwall and Maxine Connell, in a vain search for wild honey, wound up in a swarm of somewhat irritated bees; some bites but no scratches.

The last two scheduled work parties will be October 10 and October 24.

Call Personnel Activities, station 637, for further details.

BRIDGE CLUB IN LIVELY SESSION

Fred Fitzgerald and Jerry Cox captured first place NS with 122½ match points on Wednesday night, September 1. It was a battle for second place with Bill Cox and Jack Tsu posing out Dick and Gladys Hargrove 102 match points to 101.

EW winners were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sarkissian first with 112½ match points, Bob and Alice James second with 103 match points, and Dick and Connie Sprague third with 96½ match points.

September 8 saw Lee and Mrs. Keane win out NS with 92½ points over Jack Tsu and Bill Cox who garnered 90½ match points. Herb Lawrence and Roy Fox got the show spot with 81 match points.

EW was a battle to the wire with a dead beat between Herschel and Idell Mitikman (our first brother and sister team) and Jerry Cox and Fred Fitzgerald with 87 match points each. Woolridge and Hindall nosed out the rest of the field for third with 76½ match points.

See Good Time Table adjoining for news of new tournament.

The first night of the new eight-week tourney, held September 22, brought the following results:

North-South		Per Cent
1. Roy Fox and Bud Bowser.....	63.9	
2. Jack Tsu and Bill Cox.....	58.6	
3. Dave Halsey and Eldred Foster.....	54.2	
East-West		Per Cent
1. Nell Cox and Mary Martin.....	63.6	
2. Joe Slap and Bill Stevens.....	56.2	
3. Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey.....	55.0	

Under new rules the leaders each week must split up, so a very close tournament is anticipated—only six nights of play.

Champs and Runners Up



THE CHAMPS Department 11 pose proudly with 1948 NRC big league banner. They are from left, back row: Walt Osterberg, Joe Siedenthal, Paul Wheeler, Nick Papas, Francis McLarney. From left, front row: Charles Sales, Warren Treharne, Frank Colombo, Bert Privett, Alex Kratofil. Not in photo: Charles Beck, Ronnie Richards, Bill Wheeler.



RUNNERS-UP, Department 26, Night Shift champs,—who went down to superior pitching and batting power of Department 11, Day Shift champs. From left, back row: Frank Rosenthal, Jack Miller, Art Marta, Earl Criswell. Front row, from left: Eugene Wiltse, John Thacker, Tommy Blair, and Harry Clark, Personnel Activities. Players not in photo: Grimm, Roane, Sarsar, Longfelt, Wilson, and Little.

TEN PIN NEWS AND VIEWS

By Elmer Lohry

THEY'RE OFF! Yes, the winter bowling season got off to a good, clean start at Ingwood Sports Center and Morningside Recreation. And if early season scores mean anything there should be some new highs rolled this winter. Who knows?—some Northrop bowlers may even break some national records.

Anyhow, after two weeks of play the top team standings are:

INGLEWOOD SPORTS CENTER		
	Won	Lost
Pleiades	7	1
Pro's	6	2
Jigs Up	5	3
Toolers	5	3
Upsetters	5	3
Hydro Jets	5	3

Weekly High Team Series—"Pleiades"—2991; D. Watson, R. Hampton, C. Callaway, A. Marta, and C. Kennedy.

Weekly High Team Game—"Jigs Up"—1029; Sokolich, C. Ray, O. Wave, H. Setski, and D. Anderson.

NORTHROP ENGINEERING HANDICAP LEAGUE MORNINGSIDE RECREATION

	Won	Lost
Pressure Boys	4	0
Pocket Pickers	4	0
Nature Boys	3	1
Five of a Kind	3	1
Pin Heads	3	1

Weekly High Team Series—"Pressure Boys"—2860; Babel, Bly, Weir, Beck, and Stewart.

Weekly High Team Game—"Shooting Stars"—978; Horne, Simon, Adams, Nelson, and Tobin.

Softball

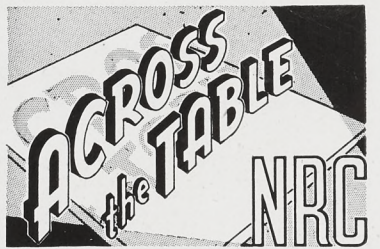
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The tournament's final game in which Northrop defeated Lockheed 13-1, was the sweetest victory of all for the Northrop nine. Last year, the final game also found Lockheed facing Northrop for the championship and Lockheed won a rough, tough game, 2-1. In winning the tournament honors this year, pitcher Pappas allowed but two hits, a homer in the sixth inning and a single in the seventh. He struck out 13 batters.

FINAL STANDINGS NORTHROP ENGINEERING MIXED FOURSOME WINDSOR BOWL

	Won	Lost
Sandbaggers	62	18
Wotwots	51	29
Castaways	48	32
4 Better or Worse	45	35
Four Bits	43	37
Gips	43	37
Hot Shots	40	40
Zee Zots	40	40
Rusty Gates	40	40
The Muscle Four	36	44
Spares	34	46
Know-It-Alls	29	51
Noodniks	25	55
Jerry's Jokers	24	56

"Sandbaggers" team consists of C. Cordil, J. Christensen, L. Christensen, and R. Patton.



By Jim Celoni, President, Northrop Recreation Club

Command performance—Our little skating Commissioner Jeannine Voigt sends word that she has just been signed up for Sonja Henie's ice show. They started rehearsing last Monday and will leave for Chicago and points East by the first of November for a continent tour. Of course, we bid fond fare-

Jim Celoni

well to Jeannine as Ice Skating Commissioner. We were fortunate to have such a fine artist in our midst. We wish Jeannine "bon voyage" and fine skating. The new skating commissioner is to be selected—details later.

Norcrafters Kay Martin, Prostheses, breezed up to your correspondent last week with news of a very worthy cause. Our Kay is chairman of the forthcoming Hawthorne Business and Professional Women's Club fashion show to be held Saturday, October 23, beginning at 8:00 p.m., at the Masonic Temple, West Broadway. Proceeds for the two and one-half dollar admission (tickets available at Personnel Activities' office) will go for a scholarship for the most promising Leuzinger High School business student of the current year. Highlight of the show will be emcee narration by an unnamed local microphone celebrity. Norcrafters models appearing are: Betty Lou Mayo, Department 30; Arretha Barnett, Department 36; Kay Martin, Department 96; Evelyn Peterson, Department 31, and Norma Grotta, Department 27.

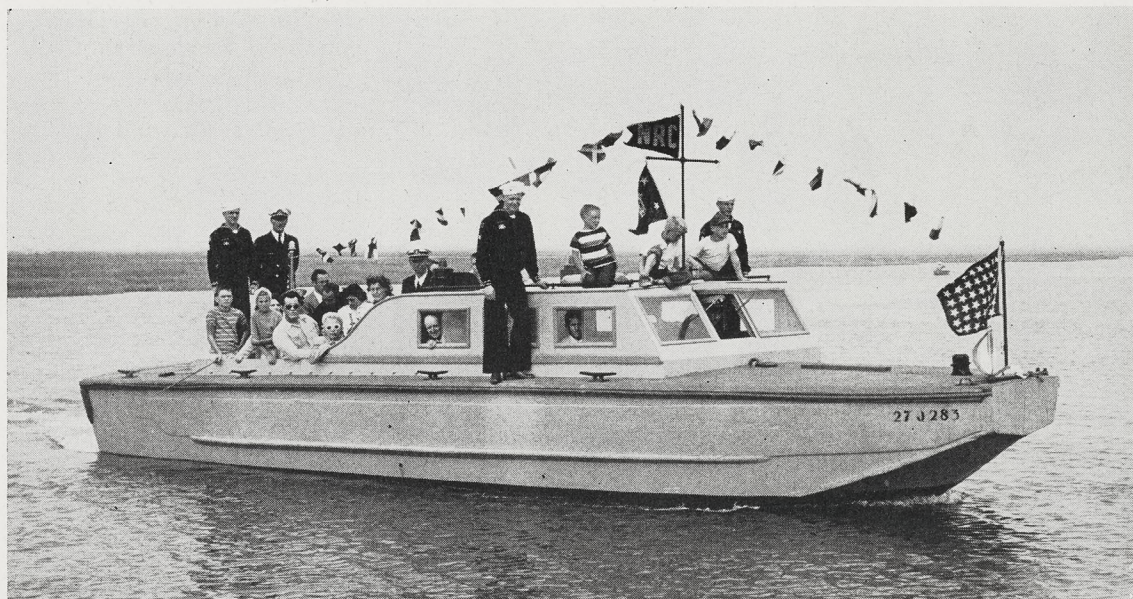
Test Section personnel gathered together, some 230 strong, last Saturday, September 25, 1948 for a dinner-dance—Palos Verdes Country Club. Music for dancing was furnished by Andy Anderson and his orchestra. At twelve midnight festivities were halted and door prizes were awarded. Kenny Queal, by virtue of rabbit foot, horseshoe, four leaf clover, and various other charms, walked off with the six tube table model Hoffman radio. Al Green garnered second door prize, a Parker "51" pen and pencil set. Numbers were drawn by Mrs. Mary McConnell. Congrats to committee members for a job well done: Nello A. Lamberti, chairman; John W. Overall, assistant chairman; Ted Carroll, Ben J. David, Warren Huth, Bill Wright, Orrie Simpson, Bill Byers, and Douglas Craig. Duane Moreland, NRC Camera Club, took photos. Orchestra vocalists—in the best modern manner—were Phyllis Moore, Paul Tompkins, and Bud Graves.

BASKETBALL

Northrop basketball enthusiasts are turning out in increasing numbers in preparation for the coming NRC Interdepartmental League play. At the present time, the facilities at Leuzinger High School are being used for practice sessions every Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:30. Teams interested in getting practice time may do so by calling Personnel Activities office, extension 637. Several more teams are needed to fill the league and organized teams or individuals who are interested in playing are asked to call as soon as possible.

THE Northrop Scene BY DAY AND NIGHT

Sea Scouts' Pride and Joy



SEA SCOUTS take first cruise aboard newly conditioned 36-foot Navy LCPL, the SS Seagull, after christening ceremonies, with full load of well wishers including a goodly number of Northrop juniors aboard. Scouts and officials (white caps) on deck in photo are, from left: Jack Girkins; Second Mate Art Tatosky; Commodore H. V. Van Wig; Duane Jensen and Ed Keating; Skipper George Metzger is at controls; Ed Sellon, former NRC president, commissioner of Badminton, is in deck house window, at left. NRC burgee is at main mast.



PROUD SCOUT, at conclusion of ceremonies, was John Wyness—who holds NRC Club burgee for all to see. Mrs. George Metzger, wife of Sea Scout Skipper and Commissioner, George Metzger, sponsored new craft via traditional champagne christening. LCPL is furnished Scouts for their exclusive use by U. S. Navy. Diesel engines furnish power.

Northrop Junior Mermaid



BEVERLY JEAN PENNICK, 7, daughter of Bev Pennick, Wind Tunnel, poses proudly with trophy signifying that she was Lenzinger pool's best beginner, swimming class, for summer of 1948. Congratulating little Miss Pennick are Ed Sellon, NRC Swimming Club head man, and Harry Clark, Northrop Personnel Activities office. Proud little lady—yes!

Turbo Picnic



HERE WE HAVE THE TURBODYNERS, each and everyone of them, at their Sunday Centinela Park Picnic. (See story, page 2.) Above, we see them taking time out for lunch via picnic basket, thermos jug, and hamper. Softball game in conjunction with other festivities brought all Turbodyn timers to bat, it is reported. Fifteen innings were required to decide the winners—Jim Anderson's team winning over Bill Coughlin's "Brooklyn Dodgers."



CONSIDERATION—. NRC Camera Club's August POM winner, Class A division, was Walt Darby's study of a tabby cat duly considering the "look before you leap" axiom. Other August winners were: Herschel Nitikman, Class B; Paul Streib, second—class A; John McCue, third—Class A; Duane Morland, second — Class B.



JUST LOOK at her now! Vicki Jo, Stork Club Norcrafter, was born July 25, 1948. Proud mama and papa are Kay and Rollie Pontious, Engineering Test Lab (Kay was former CAP secretary). Vicki weighed 6 pounds 11 ozs. at birth—a Stork Club charter member.



NORTHROP JUNIOR FAMILY J-B-S (just before school)—. Shown is the Stanton younger generation aboard backyard airplane built during summer vacation months. Dad Bill Stanton is in Statistics Division of Cost Estimating Department. The Stantons are, from left: Steve, age 5; Billy, the builder, 8; George, 6; and sister Suzanne, 2.